

**MINUTES OF THE  
SENATE REVENUE AND TAXATION STANDING COMMITTEE**  
Room 250, Utah State Capitol  
March 10, 2015

**Members Present:** Sen. Deidre M. Henderson, Chair  
Sen. Curtis S. Bramble  
Sen. Gene Davis  
Sen. Jim Dabakis  
Sen. Wayne Harper  
Sen. Howard Stephenson

**Member Excused:** President Wayne L. Niederhauser

**Staff Present:** Mr. Leif Elder, Policy Analyst  
Ms. Nancy Skidmore, Committee Secretary

**NOTE:** A list of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with the committee minutes.

Chair Henderson called the meeting to order at 2:14 p.m.

**MOTION:** Sen. Harper moved to approve the minutes of the March 9, 2015 meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Dabakis, Sen. Davis, and Sen. Stephenson absent for the vote.

**H.B. 279S02 Prescription Notification Amendments (*Rep. F. Gibson*)**

Rep. Gibson explained the bill to the committee.

Spoke for the bill: Hannah Green, Senior Manager State Affairs, Generic  
Pharmaceutical  
Lisa B. Fall, Chief Mission Officer, Arthritic Foundation

**MOTION:** Sen. Bramble moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Davis, Sen Harper, and Sen. Stephenson absent for the vote.

**H.B. 271 Fuel Tax Revisions (*Rep. D. Lifferth*)**

Rep. Lifferth explained the bill to the committee.

**MOTION:** Sen. Stephenson moved H.B. 271 be amended as follows:

1. Page 10, Line 293 through Page 10, Line 303:  
293 (12) (a) ~~{Beginning on [January] July 1, [2009] 2015, a}~~ { ~~Δ~~ tax imposed under this  
section  
294 on compressed natural gas is imposed at ~~[a reduced rate of 8 1/2 cents]~~ {the same rate  
imposed

~~295 under Subsection (1)(a) per gasoline gallon equivalent~~ [to be increased or decreased  
296 proportionately with any increase or decrease in the rate in Subsection 59-13-201(1)(a)]  
~~a rate of:~~  
~~(i) until June 30, 2016, 10-1/2 cents per gasoline gallon equivalent;~~  
~~(ii) beginning on July 1, 2016, and until June 30, 2017, 12-1/2 cents per gasoline gallon~~  
~~equivalent;~~  
~~(iii) beginning on July 1, 2017, and until June 30, 2018, 14-1/2 cents per gasoline gallon~~  
~~equivalent; and~~  
~~(iv) beginning on or after July 1, 2018, 16-1/2 cents per gasoline gallon equivalent .~~  
297 (b) ~~{Beginning on July 1, [2011] 2015, a}~~ A tax imposed under this section on  
liquified  
298 natural gas is imposed at ~~[a reduced rate of 8-1/2 cents]~~ {the same rate imposed under  
~~299 Subsection (1)(a) per [gasoline] diesel gallon equivalent}~~ [to be increased or decreased  
300 proportionately with any increase or decrease in the rate in Subsection 59-13-201(1)(a)] a  
rate of:  
(i) until June 30, 2016, 10-1/2 cents per diesel gallon equivalent;  
(ii) beginning on July 1, 2016, and until June 30, 2017, 12-1/2 cents per diesel gallon  
equivalent;  
(iii) beginning on July 1, 2017, and until June 30, 2018, 14-1/2 cents per diesel gallon  
equivalent; and  
(iv) beginning on or after July 1, 2018, 16-1/2 cents per diesel gallon equivalent .  
301 (c) ~~{Beginning on July 1, 2015, a}~~ A tax imposed under this section on  
hydrogen used to  
302 operate or propel a motor vehicle upon the public highways of the state is imposed at ~~{the~~  
~~same~~  
~~303 rate imposed under Subsection (1)(a) per gasoline gallon equivalent}~~ a rate of:  
(i) until June 30, 2016, 10-1/2 cents per gasoline gallon equivalent;  
(ii) beginning on July 1, 2016, and until June 30, 2017, 12-1/2 cents per gasoline gallon  
equivalent;  
(iii) beginning on July 1, 2017, and until June 30, 2018, 14-1/2 cents per gasoline gallon  
equivalent; and  
(iv) beginning on or after July 1, 2018, 16-1/2 cents per gasoline gallon equivalent .

Commented [NS1]:

The motion passed unanimously.

Spoke for the bill: Kelsey White, Research Analyst, Utah Taxpayers Association  
Kim Hugie, Business Owner, C & G America

Spoke against the bill: George Chapman, citizen

**MOTION:** Sen. Davis moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **H.B. 403 Online Education Survey Program Amendments (Rep. S. Eliason)**

Rep. Eliason explained the bill to the committee.

Spoke for the bill: Sydnee Dickson, Deputy, Utah Office of Education

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**MOTION:** Sen. Bramble moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously.

**MOTION:** Sen. Bramble moved to recess for 20 minutes. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Dabakis, Sen Davis, and Sen. Harper absent for the vote.

**H.B. 360S01 Utah Education Amendments (*Rep. L. Christensen*)**

This bill was not heard

**MOTION:** Sen. Bramble moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Dabakis, Sen. Davis, and Sen. Harper absent for the vote.

Chair Henderson adjourned the meeting at 3:27 p.m.

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Sen. Deidre M. Henderson, Chair